

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	James W. Morrow <i>et al.</i>	Examiner:	Pandya, Sunit
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Title:	RECONFIGURABLE GAMING MACHINE	Customer No.	30076

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

This amendment is filed in response to the Office Action of September 20, 2006, and is timely filed with a two-month extension of time.

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Claims 30-45 and 48 are pending in the present application. Claims 30, 38, and 48 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph, as failing to comply with the written description requirement. Claims 30-45 and 48 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Marnell (US 5,393,057) in view of Giobbi (US 2002/0107072).

Claims 30-31, 35-39, 43-45 and 48 have been amended. No claims have been canceled. No new claims have been added. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the rejected claims, and contend that the differences between the claimed invention and the cited references are such that the claimed invention is patentably distinct over the cited references.